

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

JANUARY 25, 1865.

Read twice, ordered to be printed, and the further consideration postponed to Thursday, February 2, after the morning hour.

Mr. STEVENS, from the Committee of Ways and Means, reported
the following bill :

A BILL

To provide for the temporary increase of the compensation of certain clerks and employees in the civil service of the government.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*
3 That the salaries and compensation of the clerks and other
4 employees in the several departments of the United States in
5 the city of Washington, and in the offices and bureaus
6 thereof, including the Department of Agriculture, and the
7 two houses of Congress, be, and they are hereby, increased,
8 and fixed at the following annual rates each, namely : Clerks
9 of the first class, fifteen hundred dollars ; clerks of the second
10 class, seventeen hundred dollars ; clerks of the third class,
11 eighteen hundred dollars ; clerks of the fourth class, nineteen
12 hundred dollars ; chief clerks receiving not more than two

13 thousand dollars per annum, twenty-one hundred dollars;
14 female clerks, eight hundred dollars; and all other employees,
15 including the clerks and employees in the office of the Coast
16 Survey, twenty-five per centum on their compensation now
17 allowed by law and said increase of compensation shall com-
18 mence on the first day of January, eighteen hundred and
19 sixty-five, and cease on the first day of January, eighteen
20 hundred and sixty-seven.